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PHILADELPHIA STRIKERS IN AN UGLY MOOD

The Arrest and Detention of
C. O. Pratt, Their Leader,
Makes Them So.

RIOTING RESUMED TODAY

Two Men are Very Serious-
ly Wounded.

Mob Completely Demolishes
a Street Car.

President Gompers and Vice Presi-
dent Mitchell will Decide Whether
There is to be a Strike of all Union
Men in Philadelphia—Four Hunder-
ed Special Policemen Will be
Sworn in and First Brigade of
State Troops is Ready for Action
at a Moment's Notice.

By United Press Wire.
Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 22.—A com-
pany of the state fencibles, called
out to do police duty, fired bayo-
nets and charged a large crowd of
rioters at the Baldwin Locomotive
works, five blocks from the city hall
this afternoon.

The mob, which had been stoning
street cars, broke and fled before the
advance of the soldiers.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 22.—A score
of shots were fired in a riot at the
corner of Market and Ninth streets,
in front of the federal postoffice late
this afternoon. Two women are re-
ported to have been injured, but it is
impossible to verify this report. Scores
of persons were beaten up by the po-
licemen in their efforts to clear the
streets of the more than 25,000 persons
who gathered on Market street, from
the city hall to south Fifth street,
hurting stones at every street car
that passed.

The crowds are still good humored
and seem unable to appreciate the fact
that their lives are in danger when
they stone the cars. The policemen
thus far have been firing into the
air, but their tempers are being sorely
tried and it is feared that serious
results will follow if the stoning of
the cars continues.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 22.—Al-
though President John J. Murphy, of
the Central Labor Union, declared he
had called a general strike of all of
the thousands of union men in Phila-
delphia, no such action has been tak-
en officially and the more cool-headed
union men declare such action will
not be taken.

Murphy made a statement about the
general strike after the arrest and im-
prisonment of C. O. Pratt, the leader
of the street car strike, who was
held today in \$2,000 bail on the charge
of inciting riot.

Murphy announced early this
morning that he intended going to
Washington to confer with President
Samuel Gompers, of the American
Federation of Labor and Vice Presi-
dent John Mitchell, regarding the call
for a general strike. Later he an-
nounced that he had called a general
strike, but the various union head-
quarters declared they had received
no such official action. At least 100-
000 men would be affected if such a
strike were called. Murphy was
greatly excited when he made his
talk about the general strike.

In union circles it is declared Mur-
phy has no authority to issue a call
for a general walk-out which would
have to come from the highest offi-
cials in the American Federation of
Labor and then only after a confer-
ence of the members of the executive
committee. Such a meeting has not
been called, it is said, and little cre-
dence is given to the statement that
a general strike will be called, at least
for several days.

Murphy's visit to Washington did
not materialize and it was reported
currently that he had been arrested
on a warrant charging him with in-
citing a riot. Information as to
Murphy's whereabouts was refused at
police headquarters and he could not
be found at union headquarters.

Murphy's excited statement that he
had called a general strike was used
as a basis for the story that such a
strike had been called and the news-
paper extras, carrying this fact, cre-
ated great excitement throughout the
city.

Telephonic communication with the
headquarters of nearly all of the
leading trades unions in Philadelphia
revealed the fact that no general
strike could be called except in writ-
ing and no such orders have been
received or even issued as yet.

That there is danger of a general
strike is conceded, though the cooler
headed union men are urging against
such action. They declare they want
to make an effort to end the present
strike peacefully before calling out
the 100,000 union men in sympathy
and precipitating one of the greatest
strikes the country has ever known.

The strike situation today is cha-
otic, none of the union men seem-
ing to know from whom to take orders.
It is this chaotic situation that the
street car officials are endeavoring to
foster, believing that in discussion
among the union men can be found
a means for breaking the strike
quickly.

Following the arrest last night of
Continued on Page Seven.

TILLMAN IMPROVING.
Washington, Feb. 22.—The
most favorable news con-
cerning Senator Tillman
since his illness began was
given in the following bulle-
tin issued by Dr. Pickford
this afternoon:
"Condition of Senator Till-
man very favorable. Paraly-
sis and aphasia disappearing
unusually fast. Barring some
unforeseen complication, all
danger is over."

SEES THE KAISER.
Berlin, Feb. 22.—Charles W. Fair-
banks, former vice president of the
United States, was received in audi-
ence by the Kaiser today. Amba-
sador Hill presented Mr. Fairbanks
to the Kaiser.

Mr. Fairbanks will be the guest
of honor tonight at the Washington
dinner of the American colony.

LEGISLATOR BLAMES JUDGES

Courts Have Nullified the
Laws and Made Others
Imperative.

By United Press Wire.
Columbus, O., Feb. 22.—The pre-
sent need for an employers' liability
law in Ohio is due entirely to the ju-
diciary of the state. Our judges have
nullified the existing laws by their de-
cisions.

This statement is made by Repre-
sentative Norris, of Cuyahoga coun-
ty, who introduced the employers' li-
ability bill.

"Our laws for the protection of
working men used to be adequate and
sufficient," continued Norris. "But
one after another the decisions in
personal injury cases kicked down
the statutes, insofar as their intent
was concerned. The judiciary prac-
tically made our laws void and cre-
ated a necessity for a new law. That
is why I have the bill in the legisla-
ture that provides for radical depart-
ures from statutes that have pre-
vailed heretofore."

"President Taft epitomized the sit-
uation several weeks ago when he
said that the jury system alone
stands between us and the surpation
of our liberties."

"The employers' liability bill now
in the legislature provides that the
judges shall deal with the points of
law in all cases—but the jury shall
decide the facts and render the ver-
dict. The employers say that to put
such cases in the hands of a jury is
monstrous. Labor is entitled to a
fair deal. We think that with the
jury system the chances for this will
be better."

NIGHT RIDERS
ARE CALLED IN
Will Lead Another Mob to
Lynch Next Negro
Arrested.

By United Press Wire.
Cairo, Ill., Feb. 22.—That Night
Riders from Kentucky and Missouri
will be called in to lead another mob
that will attempt to lynch the next
negro arrested in Cairo for commit-
ting a crime, was the statement to-
day of a man known as one of the
leaders of the last two outbreaks here.

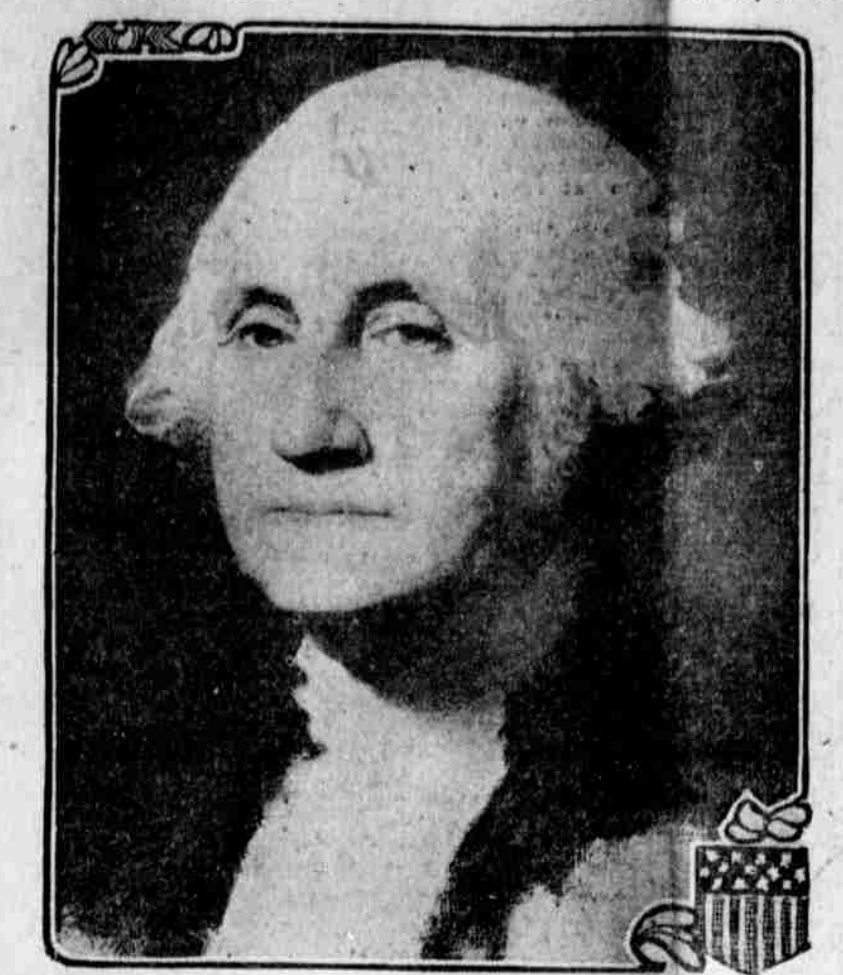
Sheep Mullis will call a new special
grand jury but it is declared that
the men who are believed to be known
as the mob leaders will never be cal-
led to testify.

It was commonly remarked today
that if the sheriff gave the name of
the leaders to the grand jury he would
do so at the risk of his life.

Though cowed by the presence of
the militia, mob spirit is still evident
here, men who are said to be leaders
declaring they are fighting for a prin-
ciple, and are only waiting for an op-
portune time to strike at the negroes.

WILL FIGHT SHY
OF THE TARIFF
By United Press Wire.
Columbus, O., Feb. 22.—No chance
of a free discussion on the floor of
the house of the relation between the
high tariff on the necessities of
life was introduced by Representative
Russell, Democrat, last week, and
held on the side track until Mon-
day afternoon. At the close of the
session, pages were sent out to tell
all the Republican members to be in
their seats. Then Representative
Shankland, Republican, moved that
the Russell resolution be referred to
the legislative committee, probing
the high cost of living and it was so
voted. That is the last the legisla-
ture will hear of the resolution as
the probe committee is pledged to
steer clear of the tariff "in order
that the probe may be non-political."

George Washington
Born Feb. 22, 1732 Died Dec. 14, 1799



No nobler figure ever stood in the forefront of a
nation's life. Washington was grave and courteous
in address. His manners were simple and unpretend-
ing; his silence and the serene calmness of his temper
spoke of a perfect self mastery. But there was little in
his outer bearing to reveal the grandeur of soul which
lifts his figure with all the simple majesty of an ancient
statue out of the smaller passions, the meaner impulses,
of the world around him.

—John Richard Green, English Historian.

ROBBERS WORE DRESS SUITS

They Tap a Till for \$300
and Get Away With the
Swag.

By United Press Wire.
St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 22.—The po-
lice have no clue to the hiding place
of two men in dress suits who, early
today, executed a bold robbery in a
fashionable cafe here today when
they held up and robbed the cashier
of \$300 in the presence of nearly 100
diners. The robbers escaped after
firing eight shots at diners who started
in pursuit.

Stanley Colburn, cashier of Car-
ling's cafe, was going over his ac-
counts at 1 a. m. when the men ap-
proached his desk. He supposed
they were diners about to pay their
score until one said in a low tone:

"Put up your hands."

Colburn looked into the muzzles of
two revolvers one in each man's
hand. The men opened the cash
drawer, seized \$300 and backed to the
front entrance, keeping Colburn cov-
ered.

The door tender tried to stop them
and one of the men shot at him, the
bullet crashing through the glass
doors. The shot was the signal for
wild commotion in the room, where
fifty or more after theatre parties
were dining.

The men diners started in pursuit
of the bandits. As they reached the
sidewalk the bandits turned and fired
three shots, all hitting the front of
the cafe and barely missing the crowd of
men and women rushing to get
through the doors. The robbers
entered Rice park, fired several more
shots and vanished.

The hold-up-men entered the res-
taurant about 10:30 p. m. and took
a table near the cashier. Several
times they had occasion to use the
telephone and in this manner kept
track of approximately the amount
taken in by the cashier.

SUBURBAN CARS
MEET HEAD-ON

By United Press Wire.
Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 22.—One pas-
senger was fatally injured and more
than a score seriously hurt in a head-
on collision between two suburban
cars here today. Many passengers
were badly cut by flying glass and
Charles J. Wilson was so badly crushed
that he will probably die. Ambu-
lances were slow to arrive at the
scene of the collision and two bread
wagons were pressed into service in
taking the injured to hospitals.

LAWYERS COME IN
FOR GRILLING

By United Press Wire.
Detroit, Mich., Feb. 22.—"Methods
of great corporation lawyers in seek-
ing loopholes by which their clients
may continue wrongdoing, are re-
sponsible for some of the ambulance
chasing for slaying of more recent
entrants to the profession," is
one of the sayings of Bishop Williams

ACCUSED OF TRICKERY

Downfall of Premier As-
quith is Considered near
at Hand.

GAVE THEM THE DOUBLE CROSS

Irish Nationalists and Lab-
orites are Mad.

Liberal Press Censures the
Premier.

Even the Members of the Premier's
Party are not Supporting Him in
the Stand he Has Taken—His Pro-
mises are not being Fulfilled and
all Factions of Parliament are
now Against Him.

By United Press Wire.
London, Feb. 22.—Premier As-
quith is today playing a game of
solitaire in politics and unless the
radical lieutenants in the Liberal
party can screw up his courage trem-
endously, the downfall of the Asquith
administration is a question of hours.

The premier is accused of tricking
both his own party and the Irish
Nationalists and the Laborites and
the ultimatum of John Redmond, the
Nationalists' leader that the latter
would not support the Liberals un-
less Asquith agreed to immediate
home rule and abolition of the lord's
veto, meets with approval even by
the Liberal press.

The Star today says: "We agree
with Redmond's view. Leader Red-
mond is justified in assuming that
his interpretations of Asquith's ut-
terances were correct."

The utterance referred to were
Asquith's election promises and his
statement that he would not assume
office unless the king would first
guarantee to reconstruct the house of
lords so that the Liberal legislative
program could not be endangered in
the upper house.

"The Morning News declares that
"Redmond's interpretation of As-
quith's speech is the same as every
journalist's, every politician's and
every ordinary citizen's interpreta-
tion. There are many arguments in
favor of the course that Redmond
prefers."

Hitherto the Liberal leaders had
hoped for a compromise, but Red-
mond's declaration from the floor of
the commons has removed all hope
of this and precipitated a crisis.

There were many party confer-
ences among the Liberals this morn-
ing as a result of which the predic-
tion is made that unless Asquith re-
signs he will be voted out of office
within three weeks. There was a
rumor that Asquith was preparing
his resignation but this was prompt-
ly denied.

Should Asquith be forced from
office the premiership will undoubt-
edly be offered to Arthur Balfour
Conservative. How long Balfour
could retain control, in the doubt-
ful contingency of his acceptance of
the post, is questionable. It is not
believed that he could last more
than a few days when a new par-
liament would be dissolved and a new
election ordered, with the Asquith
wing of the party practically elim-
inated. This would make David
Lloyd-George the nominal leader of
the Liberal party.

Under the chaotic conditions pre-
vailing the only legislation possible
is the passage of the budget, and
servative support it. Enough Na-
tionalists and Laborites and Laborites
will vote against the budget, if in-
troduced ahead of the veto bill, to
make it out of the question for the
Liberals alone to try to pass it.

In view of the government's tan-
gled finances and the king's urgent
plea for the passage of the budget, it
is believed that some sort of compromise
will be effected whereby it can be
passed. After that, however, the
deadlock will come.

Personal friends of Chancellor of
the Exchequer Lloyd-George, denied
today he told them positively he
would not retain office under As-
quith's mismanagement. His resi-
gnation is expected momentarily and
will be the sign, it is generally be-
lieved, of Winston Churchill's resi-
gnation of his post as home secretary.

MOST WEIGHTS AND
MEASURES, SHORT

By United Press Wire.
Columbus, O., Feb. 22.—Professor R.
F. Thomas, who is ex-officio sealer
of weights and measures for the state
of Ohio because he occupies the
chair of physics at the Ohio State uni-
versity, testified before the food prob-
lem that the people of the state are cheat-
ed out of fifteen per cent. of the
weights and measures they pay for
because of the laxity of the laws of
the state regarding inspection.

Only seven counties in the state,
he says, have complete sets of weights
and measures and in no county, out-
side of the counties which have the
large cities, have they sealers of
weights and measures who give any
attention to the work. The county
auditor is the official sealer of each
county, but Thomas testified that
he did not believe half the auditors
knew that was part of their work.

RELEASED CONVICT SHOT BY HIS PAL

By United Press Wire.
New York, Feb. 22.—John Leonard,
thirty-one, who was released from the
federal prison in Atlanta three months
ago after serving one year for blow-
ing open a safe and robbing a South
Carolina postoffice, was shot and kil-
led by his "pal," Charles Barnes,
thirty-seven, early today in Brooklyn.
Barnes, alleged by the police to be one
of the leaders of the Yegg crackmen
who make their headquarters in this
city, tried to escape but was run down
and captured while hiding behind the
statue of George Washington on the
Williamsburg bridge plaza.

The police believe they quarreled
over the division of loot from a num-
ber of recent burglaries on Long Is-
land and in northern New Jersey.

COLE IN FOR THE
DIRECT PRIMARY

By United Press Wire.
Columbus, O., Feb. 22.—Congressman
R. D. Cole, of the Eighth Ohio dis-
trict, is in Columbus conferring with
some of his friends from his district
regarding his fight for another re-
nomination. Incidentally, he hopes to
do some missionary work in the in-
terests of the bill now pending in the
house providing for direct primaries
for congressmen.

"You may say for me that I want
to see that direct primary bill pass.
I am willing to submit my case to
the people at any time."

"ABSOLUTELY UNFOUNDED"
Washington, Feb. 22.—The charges
brought against Commissioner of
Labor Neil by Thomas R. Dawley,
Jr., were stamped as absolutely un-
founded, by Secretary Nagel today.

Dawley, a former employee of the
bureau had charged Neil with in-
competence and with willful mis-
representations of facts in the wom-
an and child labor investigation be-
ing made by the labor bureau.

GIVEN ACCESS
TO THE BOOKS
Slade, Hipp and Malloy
Allow Inspectors a Free
Rein.

By United Press Wire.
Columbus, O., Feb. 22.—Repre-
sentative Riddle, of the Beatty probe
committee, returned this morning
from Chicago, where with E. F.
Brown from the state auditor's of-
fice, he examined the books of Slade,
Hipp and Malloy, with whom Mark
Slater, as public printer, dealt
through D. W. Dinsmore. The firm
reported knowing nothing of the
present whereabouts of Dinsmore, but
gave full access to all their books and
records. Riddle found that there is
practical agreement between the books
of the company and the Slater rec-
ords.

Dinsmore, after leaving the employ-
of Slade, Hipp and Malloy, went into
the supply business for himself and
sold Slater \$25,000 worth of goods.
The committee is now trying to dis-
cover if the goods were ever deliv-
ered.

The Beatty probe will shortly shift
to the fire marshal's office, beginning
with the end of this week. The com-
mittee will avail itself of the infor-
mation dug up by the legislative in-
vestigation of two years ago which was
choked off just when it struck pay
dirt. Investigation by the governor's
office since that time has notably in-
creased this information. The terms
of Hy Davis will be the preliminary
storm center.

Former State Printer Mark Slater
will be arraigned Wednesday morn-
ing, and his trial will begin proba-
bly Thursday.

Slater is beginning to feel his con-
finement and now is in a melan-
choly mood. His attorneys have not
visited him since Monday. Mrs.
Slater has not seen him since his in-
carceration, nor has signified her
intention of doing so.

No capias has been issued for J.
E. Brelsford, who confessed to com-
plicity in Slater's grafting, although
he was jointly indicted with Slater.
The statute makes Brelsford immune
from punishment by reason of being
a witness before the legislative com-
mittee, but his attorney will enter a
plea at bar when he is arraigned
which will have the effect of nolle-
ing the indictment.

ZELAYA SHOTS YOUNG MAN

Nicaraguan Youth Attempt-
ed to Assassinate Form-
er President.

By United Press Wire.
Port Limon, Costa Rica, Feb. 22.—
Former President Zelaya of Nicaragua,
while enroute to Belgium on the
steamer Liverpool, shot and wounded
a young Nicaraguan who attempted
to assassinate him, according to a
story printed in a San Jose paper to-
day and generally credited here.

The story is that while Zelaya was
on the deck of the vessel, the young
Nicaraguan, whose father's estate
had been confiscated by Zelaya, rushed
at him with a knife. Zelaya leaped
aside and drawing a revolver shot his
assailant in the arm.

There were few witnesses to the at-
tack and the story was suppressed but
it was known by a Nicaraguan, who
is said to have been on the vessel at
the time.

NEGOTIATIONS DECLARED OFF

Trainmen on the B & O.
Will now Vote on
Strike.

LAST WORDS ARE SPOKEN

Company Makes Proposit-
ion to the Men.

Original Demands are not
Recognized.

Should the B. & O. Men Decide to
Quit Work it is More Than Prob-
able that The Employees of all Ot-
her Eastern Roads Would Join them
in One of the Greatest Railroad
Strikes This Country Has Ever Seen

By United Press Wire.
Baltimore, Md., Feb. 22.—Negotia-
tions are off between officials of the
various organizations of railway
trainmen and the Baltimore & Ohio
railroad on the counter-proposition
by the railroad officials after first
turning down the original demands of
the trainmen.

A. B. Garretson, president of the
Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen,
and President Daniel Willard, of the
Baltimore & Ohio, both confirmed this
after a conference behind closed
doors that lasted for more than two
hours today.

All over the system the men as in-
dividually are now to vote upon the
acceptance of the counter-proposition
which disregards the demand for the
"western rate" of wage for freight
trainmen, and gives to them no in-
crease, and at the same time gives
but a slight increase to the passenger
trainmen. The demands of the men
are said to have ranged from ten to
forty per cent.

Garretson declared late this after-
noon that the result of the vote would
determine whether the trainmen,
numbering, he said, in excess of 14-
000 would be called out all over the
system, and he said ten days would
suffice for registering and counting
the sealed ballots.

"We have said our last word," de-
clared President Willard when asked
for a statement this afternoon. Fur-
ther than this the head of the great
system refused to discuss the situa-
tion.

With the announcement today that
all negotiations between the Balti-
more & Ohio and their trainmen had
been broken and that a vote on a
strike would be taken, the country
faces the probability of the greatest
strike in the history of railroading in
the United States. Should the Balti-
more & Ohio employees decide on a
walkout, there is a great possibility
that similar action where demands
have already been refused on other
railroads will be taken and this would
involve more than 200,000 railroad
employees throughout the country.

GET HUNCH FROM TAFT

President Wants Moon In-
junction Bill to be
Adopted.

By United Press Wire.
Washington, Feb. 22.—Legislative
leaders at the Capitol are receiving
hints from the White House
today that the Moon injunction
measure might be a good bill to be-
gin with, in the grinding out of the
revised administration program.

The president arrived at the con-
clusion, following a lengthy confer-
ence yesterday afternoon with Rep-
resentative Moon, of Pennsylvania,
who introduced the measure and
Representative Parker, of New Jer-
sey, chairman of the house judiciary
committee, which will handle the bill.
The representatives were asked to
point out the devious ways by which
the bill will come to passage and to
map out plans for working it through
congress.

There were several clauses in the
bill about which the president wished
to be advised and he suggested sev-
eral minor changes in wording.

The measure as prepared by Rep-
resentative Moon differs but slightly
from the one prepared by the admin-
istration. It divides injunctions into
three classes and imposes close re-
strictions on the judges issuing any
restraining order.

CHARGES BROTHER
WITH FORGERY

By United Press Wire.
Covington, Ky., Feb. 22.—Frank W.
Tranter, well known business man of
this city today, filed criminal charges
of forgery against his brother, Rev.
Watson W. Tranter, pastor of the
Methodist church at New Richmond,
Ohio, charging him with having forged
his name to a check for \$6,000 in
1895. Details of the alleged forgery
have not been made public, but the
filing of the charge is said to be the
outcome of a family quarrel. Rev.
Watson has been pastor at New
Richmond for the past year, having
had a pastorate at Manchester, Ohio
for the two years previous. A war-
rant has been issued for his arrest
but he has not been arrested yet.